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REMARKS

The Office Action dated September 20, 2005, objects to the specification in that the sequences disclosed on pages 36 of the specification were not identified by SEQ ID number. Applicant has reviewed the specification and added SEQ ID NO references to each appropriate location by the present amendments to the specification.

The Office Action further sets forth a three-way restriction requirement. In response thereto, Applicants hereby elect the subject matter of Group I (humanized anti-tissue factor antibodies - associated with claims 1-16 and 30-33 in the Office Action) for prosecution in the subject application. Claims 18-29 are hereby cancelled, without prejudice. Claim 17 (identified as representing Group II in the Office Action - method of treatment comprising administering a humanized anti-tissue factor antibody) is hereby withdrawn, but not cancelled, as rejoinder of it or substantially similar claims may be appropriate upon allowance of claims in Group I.¹

The present amendment includes a number of nonsubstantive claim amendments (e.g., adding the complete term before relying on an abbreviation). These amendments add no new matter.

It is respectfully submitted that the elected claims are in condition for allowance. Early action to that end is respectfully requested. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees in connection with this application and to credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 14-1447. If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution and allowance of this application, the Examiner is hereby invited to call the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

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¹ As the claims of Group III are hereby cancelled there is no need to respond to the election of species set forth in the Office Action.